

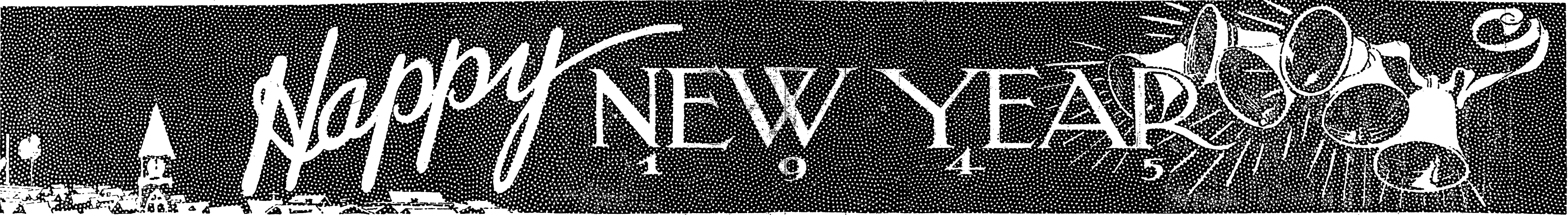
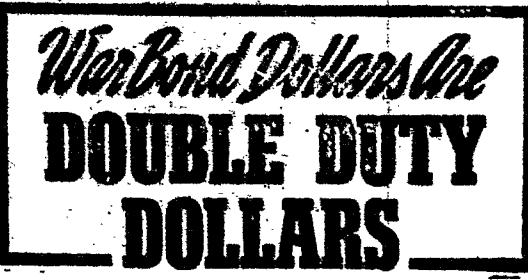
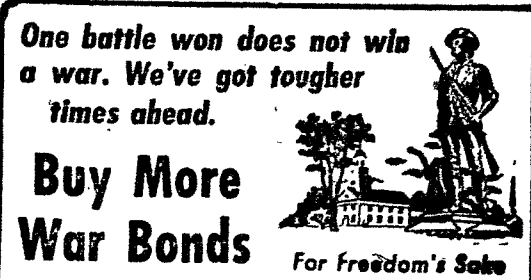
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GROTTO AT SEMINARY COMPLETE

Illuminated At Night During Holidays—Open to Public

It has been announced that the new grotto at St. Augustine Seminary is at last complete, after months of careful workmanship and planning. It is open to the public. This grotto is a new and outstanding attraction, besides a place of devotion to those in Bay St. Louis and along the Gulf Coast. It is likewise an added spot of beauty to the already artistic landscape of the Seminary. During the last weeks many visitors from New Orleans and the Gulf Coast have been attracted to the new Grotto. All who have seen it, have nothing but words of praise and admiration for the beauty and workmanship of the grotto.

The grotto represents five scenes from the suffering of Christ. Crossing over a rustic bridge one approaches the grotto beneath a waterfall. Over the entrance of the passage to the grotto proper one reads the words "Watch and Pray." Now the visitor wends his way thru a semi dark recess or tunnel and gradually comes face to face with the first scene; namely: Agony in the Garden. This scene represents Christ kneeling and sweating blood. An Angel is seen in the dim darkness with a chalice. Reflectors and lighting effects make this scene very impressive. Accustomed to the darkness of the grotto the visitor can now continue on his way through other passages without difficulty.

The passage way now turns and brings one upon another sorrowful scene; namely Christ in Prison. A life-size statue of Christ is seen behind bars. Further on the visitor comes before the well-known Pieta, or the Sorrowful Mother, beneath the Cross. At this scene daily are found sorrowing mothers praying to their heavenly Mother for their sons at the battle front, or scattered over the South Pacific Islands.

A little further from the last scene is the "Sepulcher" or the Tomb of Christ. Here one sees Christ buried in the tomb after He was taken from the Cross. This is the last scene of the grotto.

From this last scene the visitor wends his way along a short passage to the exterior of the grotto. A few steps down the sunken-garden one comes before the replica of the grotto of Lourdes, which represents the Blessed Virgin and Bernadette.

This scene is well remembered from the movie "The Song of Bernadette." From the Lourdes Grotto flows a brook which traces its way along the sunken garden.

During the Christmas holidays these grottoes are illuminated and can be seen from the highway. One will be well repaid by visiting these two grottoes at the Seminary either during the holidays or at any other time.

Christmas Services At Local Churches

Christmas passed rather quietly here with no general celebration and with family gatherings where it was possible for families to be together. Special services were held in the different churches with the usual Midnight Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, the Right Reverend Monsignor A. J. Gmelch celebrating the Mass. There was a very large crowd with quite a number of the service men attending.

At Christ Episcopal Church, in the absence of the rector, Rev. Warwick Aiken, Chaplain O. G. Heivley of Keester Field, conducted the Christmas service and the Sacrament of Communion was observed. There was a special vocal number by the choir.

The services were held on Sunday at the Methodist Church with Mrs. E. E. Samples rendering a special vocal solo "Ring Out Your Christmas Bells" and the choir gave as a special vocal number "A Star from Bethlehem." Mr. Samples' sermon subject was "The Spirit of Christmas."

On Sunday evening the services were given over to the Youth Group and the Bay High chorus sang the Christmas Cantata "Chimes of the Holy Night" and Edith Haas and Florence Mayhan took the solo parts. Miss Sue Swan read a condensation of Van Dyke's "The Story of the Other Wise Man." Later the young people, with the music director Mrs. Carl Smith, sang Christmas Carols at different homes.

Canteen For Service Men To January 2nd

Broadcasting its invitation and scattering cheer the Christmas Canteen opened its doors to the lonely service men so far away from home on Christmas Eve and Christmas night here was a most joyful scene, the service men crowding into the canteen and the young women eager to see that they were served.

Canteens are not new but this is the first attempt to operate one in Bay St. Louis and a service man said that it was the nearest thing to home he had had since he left. The idea originated in the mind of a lady whose son has been absent from home for the past three Christmases and other women rallied to the cause and lo! a canteen was born. What it has meant at this time to the uniformed strangers in our midst will some day be recorded in history made by war.

The canteen is open each day from 3:30 P. M. to 10 P. M., through January 2. Sunday, December 31 and Monday January 1 is expected to see a large number of those who could not get home and anyone wishing to help in any way please phone Mrs. A. P. Smith, phone 225-R, Mrs. Ed Carriere, phone 477, Mrs. N. L. Carter, phone 262. If you wish to start the New Year by having one of our boys as your guest for dinner call Mrs. Harold Weston, phone 10 or Mrs. A. D. Dresher, phone 418-W.

Mrs. Emma Bourgeois Fayard Dies at Age of 80

Mrs. Emma Bourgeois Fayard, 80, years of age, died at her home here on Friday, December 22, and the funeral was held on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Fahey Funeral Home the Rev. Father Martin conducting the religious services there and at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. Interment was in Cedar Rest Cemetery. Her pallbearers were Gerald Price, Judge Leon Capdepon, Judge Henry T. Fayard, M. A. Parillo, Joseph M. Lafontaine and John Egloff.

Mrs. Fayard was the daughter of Ducre Bourgeois one of the first home owners of Waveland and was the widow of the late Charles E. Fayard. She was known for her Christian spirit and her kindness of heart and has left a lesson all of us might learn—the spirit of self-forgetfulness.

She is survived by three daughters Mrs. Antoinette Lafontaine, Mrs. Raymond Bourgeois, Mrs. Catherine Johnson, a son Edward A. Fayard.

Funeral Services Held Thursday Afternoon For J. W. Watts, Sr.

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon for James William Watts, Sr., who died at his home on Wednesday, December 20.

Religious services were conducted by the Rev. E. E. Samples at the Fahey Funeral Home and services were conducted at the grave by members of Bay St. Louis Lodge F. & A. M. No. 429 of which he was an active member. His pallbearers were Dick Cue, Louis Banderet, John Sick Peter Sick, Arthur Miller and Ben Hille.

Coming here for the funeral were his two granddaughters Mrs. Scott Hoyer and Miss Myrtle Ansley of New Orleans, Henry Chapman, New Orleans and Wallace Chapman, Biloxi.

Clermont Harbor Boy Honored

With An Adriatic Depot Gasoline Supply Company of the AAF Serv. Cmd.—Italy—The Army Good Conduct Medal for fidelity and exemplary service was recently awarded to Technician Fifth Grade Louis Antoine, son of Mrs. Jane B. Antoine of Clermont Harbor, Mississippi, residing at 2915 Gravier Street, New Orleans, La., at the present time. Technician Fifth Grade Antoine, who wears two overseas service bars and two battle participation stars is mail orderly and Asst. clerk for a Quartermaster Gasoline Supply Company in Italy serving Allied Air Fields. He also has been duty in Africa.

Louis has three brothers also in the service. Sergeant Aristide Antoine stationed in France. Private First Class Joseph Antoine in Hawaii and Harold Nathaniel Antoine who is in the Navy.

SCOPE OF 1945 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

The agricultural resources and production of the United States at war will be measured with the taking of the coming Census of Agriculture including statistics on farm acreage, crops, livestock, farm labor, and other items related to farm operations will be obtained.

Officials of the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce; the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture; the War Food Administration; representatives of farm associations and agricultural economists and statisticians worked jointly toward developing a simple yet comprehensive Farm and Ranch Schedule for the Census. Months of preparation preceded the completion of the schedule and the final selection of the questions to be asked.

The first questions to be asked by the enumerator will be concerned with identifying information for each farm household—the name of the farm operator, his race and age, location of the farm, the number of dwelling units on the farmstead and their facilities, such as running water, electricity and the number of persons residing on the farmstead. Questions will be asked regarding the agricultural labor force on the farm, both paid and unpaid. Inquiries will be made on the production of fruits and berries in 1944. Each and every type of farm operation will be covered in the 1945 Census.

We wish to impress the fact that the statistics gathered by the Census Bureau will be confidential in all respects. It cannot be used for purposes of taxation, regulation or investigation. The strictest precaution will be taken to see that no information about any particular farm or farmer will become available to any agency other than the Bureau of Census. The Enumerators in so far as possible will be selected from the ranks of the farm men and women and farmers are asked to cooperate in every way possible to see that a complete and accurate census is taken so that the law-making bodies and all executives of farm agencies will be well acquainted with the farming industry in each and every county.

The Agricultural Census of 1940 showed cotton to be the chief crop in the State of Mississippi, showing that this crop was produced on 89.2 per cent of the farms in the state. Mississippi was second only to Texas in the production of cotton and mules as shown by the 1940 Census.

The 1940 Census of Hancock County reveals that there were 599 farms, covering a farm acreage of 28,534 acres; value of farms (land and buildings) \$879,246.00; value of farm implements and machinery \$48,774.00; number of tractors on farms twenty-three (23); total value of domestic animals \$212,984.00; total value of dairy products \$58,461.00; total value of all crops harvested \$140,659.00.

MISSING IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poillon are in receipt of news from the war Department, advising that their son, Henry, Jr., is missing in action in the European Theater of War.

Another son, Alphonse, is in the Merchant Marine Service, now stationed in St. Petersburg Florida, preparatory to going overseas.

BROTHERS IN SERVICE



SGT. CLOIS R. DEDEAUX



SGT. ROY DEDEAUX

Mrs. Amelia Dedeaux has two sons in the United States Army. Sergeant Clois R. Dedeaux is in the Netherlands East Indies and has been in service for four years. Sergeant Roy Dedeaux, who is known to practically every person in Bay St. Louis, was a former newsboy on the Beach front and was familiarly known by his many friends as "Sleepy." He has been in service over 2 years and is in France.

Promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel

Mrs. Frank I. Kiefer has had news from her husband Major Frank I. Kiefer that he has been advanced to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army T. C. Lieutenant-Col. Kiefer has been overseas since March and went in with the Normandy Invasion. He has received for himself and his battalion a letter of commendation from General Headquarters. Eight of his men have been awarded the bronze star and are the first men in that supply sector of the European Theater of Operation to receive this recognition.

Lieut.-Col. Kiefer entered World War 1 the day after war was declared and won his commission as Lieutenant in France. He remained overseas in the Army of Occupation for some time after the war. Bay St. Louis is proud to claim him as a citizen and his family has become a part of the community.

MID-OCEAN REPAIR JOB



EM 3c THOMAS R. HAAS

EM 1c STANLEY A. GROH

Somewhere in the North Atlantic, these two Coast Guardsmen work together to repair an electric motor which has gone "haywire." Serving on a Coast Guard-manned vessel, they are Thomas R. Haas (left),

electrician's mate third class, of Star Route Bay St. Louis, Miss., and Stanley A. Groh, electrician's mate first class, of 2003 West Main Street, Belleville, Ill. Note the pin-up girls on the rear bulkhead (wall to you).

Annual Christmas Service Of Christ Episcopal Church School

The annual Christmas service of Christ Episcopal Church School was held Thursday December 21. A pageant depicting the Christmas story as told by St. Luke, was presented by the younger children, who were in costume, the choir, supplemented by the oldest Church school class, sang hymns which unfolded the story.

Alice Dupaquier and John Weston played the parts of Mary and Joseph, and Patsy Shadoin was Elizabeth. Sylvia Horton was the Angel. The shepherds were John Riendi, Richard Miles Donald Levy, and Benny Levy while the children were Carol Horton, Ann Ferrel, Jimmy Shadoin, Winston Levy, Frank Schoonmaker, Robert Miles, Donald Pebsworth and Robin Pebsworth. Jack Dresher, Edouard Dupaquier and Larry Scharif, ended the pageant as the Three Wise Men. Joe Capdepon acted as lay reader for the service.

A party for children followed, with gifts on the tree for all.

Selectees Ordered For Physical Examination

The following Selectees have been ordered to report for Pre-Induction Physical Examination on January 3, 1945 at 8:00 a. m. at Courthouse, Bay St. Louis, Miss. Selectees will depart for Camp Shelby at 8:52 a. m. Billy Edward Miller, Edward Joseph Marengo, Verlin Joseph Ladner, Frank Wesley Merritt, Horace Leon Cuevas, Walton Joseph Ladner, Jessie Willard Cuevas, Woodrow Wilson Necaise, Earl Byrd, Francis Washington Lee, Leo Lester Garriga, Curtis Elmer Lumpkin, Woodrow Page Spiers, Martiel Bertin, Wiley Cary Robertson, George Allison Field, James Robert Stewart, Currie Collins Garner, William Edward Bilbo, Hollis Rutee Lee, George E. Heitzmann, Clerk.

HOSPITAL NOTES

The local Kings Daughters Hospital announces the following births for the past two weeks: Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Byrd, Bay St. Louis, a son, Michael H. Byrd; Mr. and Mrs. James L. Cuevas, Picayune, La., a daughter on December 24. The young lady has been given the name of Gaynell. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Shaw announce the birth of a son, on December 13. The new member of the County Board of Supervisors has been given the name of Gerald Clark Shaw. Mr. Shaw is a member of the county board from the Sellers community.

Medical patients treated and discharged Shirley Fahey Green, Lakeshore; Deana Autrey Taylor, Slidell; Mrs. Mathilda Moran, Kiln; Miss Mary R. Favre, Kiln; Frank Lombardy, Bay St. Louis; E. J. Saucier, 20 months old, Francis Christian, Route 1; Miss Adele Ladner.

O. S. Breland, Nicholson Avenue, is a medical patient at the hospital.

Coburn Bennet, as a result of severe burns had two fingers amputated and is still in the hospital but is doing nicely.

Charles Poolson, 13 year old student of St. Stanislaus, is a patient at the hospital and is being treated for a broken leg.

Thomas Elisha Haas Buried Thursday Afternoon

Funeral services were held at Kiln on Thursday afternoon for Thomas Elisha Haas, who died on Wednesday, December 20, with religious services at the Church of the Annunciation Catholic Church the Rev. A. C. Denis officiating. Interment was in Bayou Coco Cemetery. Pallbearers were John Kackler and Norton Haas, Bay St. Louis; Manuel Castro and Vernon Haas, Kiln; W. A. Moran, Gulfport; John A. Rhode, New Orleans.

Mr. Haas was a World War 1 veteran and was associated with the lumber business in different parts of the country. He was a native of Kiln and lived there until a year ago when he went to make his home with his sister in New Orleans.

Leaves After Furlough Spent at Home

Lieutenant A. J. Piazza, Army, left Tuesday night after a short furlough

Celebrates 100th Birthday Anniversary

John Favre the only living Hancock County Confederate Veteran passed the 100th mile post of his life on December 22 quietly in his home at 132 St. Joseph Street, Waveland, and with his same clear mind and keen sense of humor. Other than a dimming of his sight, which makes walking a little difficult, he does not look his hundred years.

A native of Bay St. Louis he moved with his parents to Waveland when eight years of age and can truly say that he saw Waveland grow up. He recalls the days when the swiftest mode of transportation from Waveland to Bay St. Louis was by rowing a skiff but he also remembers when he walked many times with his father. He recalls when five houses comprised the town of Waveland, other than what is commonly designated as the Bourgeois settlement, and these were in the vicinity of which is now Nicholson Avenue one of which is known as the Pirate House.

Mr. Favre joined the Confederate Army when 18 years of age. He does not recall the regiment but knows that he served under General Steele and Captain Poitevant both familiar names to this section. He never left the state but fought around Grenada and in the battle of Vicksburg.

When he recalls being told to sell himself as a substitute soldier for which he would be paid \$2000. And also of being asked by one man to take his place in the army and he would pay him \$2000. His tired old eyes snap and his voice rises as he repeats his words to them "I have enlisted and I do not mean to turn back. A paid soldier is not an honorable soldier and I want to be an honorable soldier or none at all."

The old soldier recalls the lack of wool as the coast was not a sheep raising section and consequently there was little of any spinning and weaving which made clothing a war problem and shoes were scarce too. The number of enlisted from this section far outnumbered those of other sections and so farming almost was entirely in the hands of women so the production was in a sense meager but game and fish were plentiful and so the suffering here was not so severe.

Mr. Favre loves to talk of the war and of the flag and says his favorite song is "The Bonnie Blue Flag." He was first married to Miss Mary Ladner of Waveland but his children from this union are dead but four granddaughters and six grandsons are living one of whom is Gerald Ladner, mayor of Waveland. Following the death of his first wife he married Felicie Necaise of Kiln and a son and daughter live near him in Waveland, Alphonse Favre, Sr. and Mrs. Mazarakis. He has ten grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren and 8 great great grandchildren.

His grandchildren in service are Pfc. Bradley T. Mazarakis Marine in the Pacific; Corporal A. B. Favre, Jr., Marines in the Pacific. Sergeant Milton J. Favre, Army Infantry, in Holland; Corporal Gerald J. Favre, Army, Camp Butler, North Carolina; Roger T. Favre, Navy, in the Pacific; Pfc. Herman J. Mazarakis, Keesler Field.

When asked if he would like to have a party he said "No, wait until after the war and then we will have a real party." But Mrs. Alphonse Favre, Jr., wife of the grandson in service surprised him with a party and the soldier, trained to an awareness was not too surprised and cut steady hand. But he still insists that he will celebrate the end of the war and the homecoming of his boys.

Those attending the party were his son and daughter Alphonse Favre, Sr. and Mrs. Sidonia Mazarakis. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tucker, Pfc. Herman J. Mazarakis and Mrs. Mazarakis, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Borge, Mr. Louis Collier and son, Mrs. James E. Woodcock and daughter, Master Louren Sonia, Mrs. Sidney Carrio and daughter.

Mr. Favre likes to recall his old friends who have passed on and enjoys a good joke. He bears no malice, remembers no disturbing things and though nearing the end of life's journey he is making new friends.

Congratulations to this Patriarch and may he be here to greet his "boys" when they come home.

JOS. V. BONTEMPS DIED SATURDAY MORNING—FUNERAL ON SUNDAY

A gloom was cast over the city on Saturday when the news of the death of Joseph V. Bontemps was known. Though he had been in failing health for some time and had been confined to his home for more than a month the knowledge of his death carried an element of shock because he was such a part of the community. He died quietly at his home on Saturday morning and his funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Fahey Funeral Home with religious services at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic church the Rev. Father William Clark officiating. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

The funeral was one of the largest witnessed here in some time and there was a wealth of floral offerings.

His pallbearers were Frank Quintini, Daniel Ziegler, John West, Frank Fabre, Oscar Bragg, Clarence Carrio.

Surviving him are his wife the former Miss Annie Carrio, four sons Sergeant Leroy Bontemps, U. S. Army in Italy; Corporal Joseph V. Bontemps, Jr., U. S. Army in Belgium; Wallace J. and Erwin L. Bontemps Bay St. Louis. He also leaves two sisters Mrs. L. M. Telhiard and Mrs. Daniel Ziegler Bay St. Louis and four grandchildren.

Mr. Bontemps was a member of Cedar Grove Camp Woodmen of the World and at one time held the office of sheriff of Hancock County. He belonged to one of the early families here and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bontemps. The city has lost one of its good men and loyal citizens and we join the many friends of the family in extending sympathy.

Presents Christmas Play

The Primer, First and Second grades of the Central School, under the direction of Mrs. Celine Ashcraft, Miss Carmelite Spotorno and Miss Lavenia Saucier presented "Christmas Eve in Fairland" in the school auditorium on Thursday of last week. The little folks showed good training and ability as well and their play was well received and enjoyed.

The following is the cast: Herald—Bill Whitfield; The Fairy Queen—Patricia Stone; A Fairy—Patricia Shadoin; A Brownie—August Peterson; The Queen of Hearts—Betty Bell Buehler; The Page to the Queen of Hearts—Anne Dykes; Mother Goose—Rosemary Millinery; Boy—Bennie Levy; Girl—June Moore; The Old Woman in the Basket—Janell Egloff; The Old Woman in the Shoe—Velma Rankin; Dr. Foster—Miles Gray; The Christmas Spirit—Myrna Carver; Santa Claus—Jimmie Dale Rhymes; Mother Goose Children: Tom, the Piper's Son—John Reindl; Jack Arthur—Dick Miles; Bo Peep—Phyllis Allison; Humpty Dumpty—Tom Karl, Jr.; Jack Horner—Willie Ray Wheat; Tommy Stout—Ronald Maurig; Curly Locks—Georgia K. Kramer; Boy Blue—Ronald Johnston; Jack be Nimble—Carl Thibaux; Jill—Carol Horton; Miss Muffet—Jana Dodson; Tom Tucker—Howard Parker; Crooked Man—J. L. Gonzales.

Louis Fernandez gave the welcome address and announced the program.

War Price and Rationing Board To Be Closed On January 1

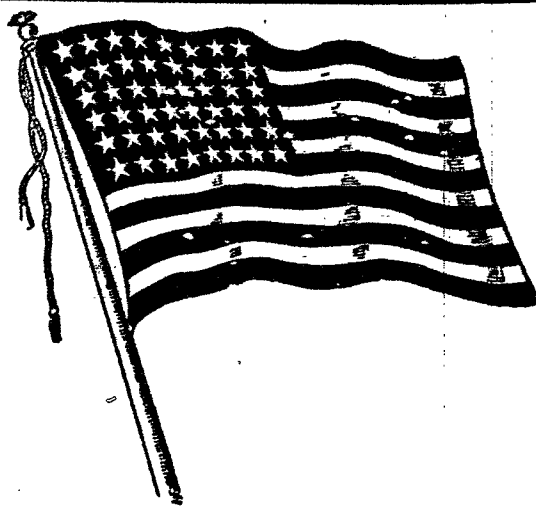
The local office of War Price and Rationing Board No. 23 will be closed to the public all day Monday January 1, 1945, to give its workers opportunity of taking annual inventories and the preparing of necessary reports required by the District and Regional offices of the Office of Price Administration.

PROMOTED

Sergeant Warren J. Carver, who is attached to the Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army, and who has been in England and now in France, has been promoted to Staff Sergeant.

spent here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Piazza. Lt. Piazza will report back to Tallahassee and from there will go to the Port of Embarkation to leave for overseas duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Piazza had the entire family for a reunion and Christmas dinner on Sunday in honor of their son.



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THE NEW YEAR—1945

NO matter how long or short a time a person has lived on earth, he or she must take time out at the end of the year to review the past and to contemplate the future. More particularly the individual should set his sights on the forthcoming year with a view of making it a period of rapid advancement in his life. Especially is this true nowadays when so much is at stake both in our private lives and in the future of our Nation. America stands today at the threshold of a new era in many respects. The folly of selfish greed and rank materialism which have characterized our people in the past have led us to the brink of destruction. We have suffered from the experience but have we learned the lesson? The future of America and even of the entire world hangs on that question and its answer.

It is true that one year may not be perceptibly different from its predecessor as it affects us immediately. However, we all realize quite naturally that it is we ourselves who change; it is this change therefore that matters. To be merely indifferent and passive to this fact is to make a farce of living; to be blind to the past and skeptical of the future is foolhardy; but to deliberately shun our responsibilities by refusing to lend ourselves to the cause of righteousness by an amendment in our personal lives is to be guilty of treason both to God and to our fellow-men.

Consequently, let us one and all be sincere in our annual inventory of our lives. Let us take new courage from our failures and firmly resolve that as the New Year unfolds itself we will do all within our power to make the Year 1945 a happier one for others. Let us approach the New Year with repentant hearts in a truly christian attitude. Our nation will come out victorious only in proportion to the personal regeneration of its individuals. When 1945 will have run its eternal course, the world will be grateful for our having been on it.—Frank Tychsen, St. Stanislaus Rock-A-Chaw.

NAVAL POWER AT ITS BEST

THE landing of American soldiers on the island of Mindoro, in the Philippine group, reportedly made without the loss of a man, represents an astonishing projection of naval power.

Moving from Leyte Gulf through Surigao Strait and the Sulu Sea, the American striking force navigated waters ringed by Japanese landing fields and, supposedly, the "happy hunting grounds" of Japanese submarines and torpedo craft.

That the expedition was successful attests not only the thoroughness of defeats inflicted upon the Japanese Navy, but the growing impunity with which our fleet disregards land-based aircraft.

The carrier ship strength of the American fleet has reached such proportions in the Pacific that it is now possible for carrier-based aircraft to overwhelm Japanese land-based aircraft. Striking from the decks of their carriers, American planes blast Japanese aircraft stationed on island bases and manage to maintain aerial supremacy despite frantic Japanese efforts to send in aerial reinforcements.

It should be noted that the use of amphibious tactics alone has made possible the steady advance of American ground forces into the Philippine islands. Such tactics are only possible to the nation which controls the surrounding waters. Intelligently and boldly utilized, as in the present instance, amphibious offensives catch the enemy unaware in his weak places, and move forward, with slight losses, to inevitable victory.

FOR PSYCHOLOGISTS

THE people in the United States who expected the end of the present wars to usher in a new era in world affairs, with the abolition of everything that they disapprove and the beginning of a golden day for humanity, are suffering from shell-shock in connection with evident differences of opinions that exist between the British, American and Russian governments in regards to various areas in Europe.

Just how any person manages to become convinced that a bloody war, fought to a successful conclusion, will automatically revolutionize human nature, is a matter for eminent psychologists. The hope has been fostered no doubt by the delusion that the United States has gone to war in pursuit of noble ideals and that the people of this country alone possess the intelligence or probity necessary to correctly settle the perplexing problems of all mankind.

We yield to no one in our hope that, out of the present war, there will evolve a better understanding between the nations and people of the world. We do not agree, however, that the way to bring this about necessitates any break with our allies, which, in our opinion, would result in the very danger which we are anxious to avoid.

The present world situation requires some exhibition of confidence in the good will and good faith of friendly powers if, in the future, we expect cooperation and collaboration toward any goal.

Workers who failed to produce, and industrialists who stalled for profits are among those who made the German offensive possible.

If the people of the United States and Great Britain haven't sense enough to maintain their present unity they haven't sense enough to maintain their present position in the world.

Distance is a handicap to the nation at war. It makes the delivery of supplies a tremendous task and prevents our people from realizing that armies are fighting for their security.

WITH SIGNAL CORPS



PFC. JOHN D. CHASE

From Public Relations Office, Signal Corps Unit, but previously AFHQ, APO 512.—Pfc. John D. Chase, 323 Carroll Avenue, Bay St. Louis, Miss., probably wishes he was calling home, but from North Africa such cannot be. He is now with a

Signal Corps Unit, but previously served with the 36th Infantry Division for 5 months, receiving the Purple Heart Award for a wound inflicted in Italy. Pfc. Chase has been overseas for 13 months.

ORTE THEATRE "SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S ATTRACTION 'THE MERRY MONOHANS'"

Starring Donald O'Connor,
Peggy Ryan, Jack Oakie—
Show Starts: Sun. at 3 P. M.,
Monday at 5 P. M.

"The Merry Monohans," one of Universal's biggest productions of the season, which opens Sunday and Monday at Ortte Theatre, adds up to screen entertainment at its very best.

The Universal film projects the considerable talents of Donald O'Connor, Peggy Ryan, Jack Oakie and Ann Blyth, mounted against a background of vaudeville in its halcyon days. The supporting lineup of top-flight performers includes Rosemary De Camp, Isabel Jewell, John Miljan and Gavin Muir.

Although the production offers twenty melodic tunes fifteen of them oldies and five originals, plus several lavish dance spectacles, these are part and parcel of the plot, which concerns the dramatic rise of a family of trouper.

Both the maturing O'Connor and his professional partner, Miss Ryan, reveal new facts to their versatility. They are capable of moving an audience to tears as well as to amusement and applause.

In his sixteen years before the cameras Oakie has never had a finer role nor acquitted himself more creditably. He plays the head of the Monohan family, father of O'Connor and Peggy Ryan. His comedy is spontaneous, his serious moments poignant and convincing, and his dancing unrestrained.

Talented Miss Blyth, a newcomer from the New York stage, is sincere and charming as the youthful romantic interest of O'Connor.

Direction by Charles Lamont, the screen play by producers Michael Fessier and Ernest Pagano and dance staging by Louis Da Pron and Carlos Romero all measure up to the film's high standard.

President Signs Bill For Pensions for Widows and Orphans of World War One Veterans

The President today signed a bill granting Pensions to all widows and orphans of World War One men.

This bill has no provisions of service connections, so it covers all widows of World War One men. Commanders are urged to start soliciting these claims, and forward same to Jackson.

This message was received by Edward A. Fayard, 516 Citizen St., Commander of V. F. W., Hancock County Post 3253, Bay St. Louis.

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Logtown News

The usual community Christmas tree with an appropriate program was enjoyed by all of those attending on Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd at the Methodist Church. Ole Santa was there in a very jolly mood and with presents for all.

Visiting in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Fountain, Sr., for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Barefield and son of Sardis, Miss.; Mr. Joe Sturdivant of Marigold, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Arendale and daughter Dorothy, of Hattiesburg. Laddie also came down with the Arendales and spent the day with Inky.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Sedlak of Nacoo, La., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marshall, Lieut. and Mrs. Herbert Roddy also visited there a few days while Lieut. Roddy was being transferred to California but unfortunately had to leave a few days before Christmas.

Guests of Mrs. Jeff Jopes and daughter Miss Mae Jopes on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jopes and family of Slidell; Mr. Guy Jopes and son of Picayune; Mr. and Mrs. Hous Jopes and son of New Orleans.

Miss Rita Whitfield of Sulphur, La., spent the holidays at her home here with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beyer of Palmetto, La., as her guests.

Miss Aida Jones spent Christmas in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Hoover in Napoleon.

Miss Grace Jones left on Wednesday for a visit with friends in Meridian.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baxter, Roy Jr., Bobbie and Mrs. E. Larroux of Bay St. Louis, spent Christmas in their home here. Missy and Sue

were also here. Relatives visiting Mrs. O. F. Mitchell and son, Alvin, during the holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Hebert Butch and Kipsie, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Jackson and daughter, Beryl, all of New Orleans and Mr. and Mrs. Argyl Mitchell of Bay St. Louis.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Sacerdote on Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swanson and son; Mr. and Mrs. Donald O'Keefe; Sgt. and Mrs. Clarence Davidson and two children, all of New Orleans. Sgt. Davidson recently returned to the States after 15 months overseas duty and has several decorations.

Misses Mae and Edwina Osbourne of Bay St. Louis spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Bennett and daughter, Mary Catherine.

Guests of Mrs. Emily Lott for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Delman Wright and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lott and son, all of New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Joulion and daughter of Biloxi; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lott of Pearlton and Mr. Asa Lott.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Otis also had quite a few guests during the holidays. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Rousseau, their daughters, Caro Pearl and Corporal Bettye Lois Rousseau, Army Air Corps and son, Ralph of U. S. Coast Guard, Rev. and Mrs. Rousseau reside in Covington, La. Mr. and Mrs. Coburn Weston and children of Jackson, Miss. and others.

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Clermont Harbor

The Clermont Harbor School Xmas tree sponsored by the Mothers' Club on the afternoon of December 22 was a great success.

Seventy little folks were made happy with a gift, a bag of candy and fruit.

The tree was beautifully decorated and the gayly wrapped presents at its feet, the tables of rosy apples, golden oranges and bags of cellophane containing candy brought forth exclamations of joy from the children.

The pupils sang carols and Christmas songs and the highlight of the evening was the arrival of Old Santa. Many parents enjoyed the happy occasion along with the little ones.

At the assembly period Friday morning the Girls' Sewing Club put on a Christmas program. The members sang two Xmas songs; Joyce D. Ferrell, Lucille Garcia and Matthe Thornton gave a Xmas sketch; Joycelyn Bourgeois sang "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem" as a solo accompanied by Mrs. Jeanne Williams at the piano.

On Thursday afternoon many of the school children attended Mr. Ed Ortte's free show and Xmas tree. Mesdames Edward Crawford, Isadore Williams, Herbert Ferrill and Wayne Haylett furnished automobiles for transportation.

Pupils who did not go to the show remained at school and helped the teachers decorate the school's tree.

Sunday afternoon the members of the Methodist church sponsored a Xmas tree, for the younger members in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. McCoy.

Fruit and candy were distributed and Christmas songs were sung.

Mrs. August Brink is spending the holidays in New Orleans in the homes of her daughters Mrs. Frank Chase and Mrs. C. Otnott.

Mrs. Eva Laderer spent Xmas in New Orleans, the guest of her son, Lester Haverly and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Finn, of Clermont Harbor, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ferrill Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson and son were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Chouest of Lakeshore, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kern are spending the holidays in Baton Rouge with their son Dr. Lawrence Kern and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Garriga and Vernon Laderer of Bayou La Biche visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ferrill Xmas eve.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ladner had a happy Xmas with their daughter, Miss Ethel Ladner, their sons Mr. Julian Ladner and Mr. Leonard Ladner and their families coming from New Orleans to visit under the parental roof.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Jeanne Williams and son, Cecil, Xmas eve were Juanita Jones, Louis Jones, Vira Davis, Hilbert Miller, all of Gainesville and Grayson Miller, E. M. 3/c, from the Naval Hospital in New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Saleeby and children of New Orleans spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Saleeby.

Cecil Williams and Mrs. Jeanne Williams visited in New Orleans Tuesday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Proctor Xmas eve were the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson of New Orleans.

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Thursday-Friday, 4-5
HEDY LAMARR AND PAUL HENREID in
"THE CONSPIRATORS"

Waveland News

Young Terry Ryan who is attending St. Paul's in Covington, La., is home for the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ryan.

We are happy to welcome Dr. and Mrs. Glen A. Kiser who have recently moved here from Dallas, Texas. Dr. Kiser is stationed at the U. S. Marine Cadet Basic School at Pass Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Herlihy were guests Christmas Day in the home of Mrs. Herlihy's brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Benley White of New Orleans.

Mrs. C. B. Mollere reports that her son, Olo, who is in the South Pacific, is improving from a recent foot injury.

Mr. Gene Watson is away on a business trip to Whitesboro, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Asher and daughter, Catherine spent Christmas in Bogalusa, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory of New Orleans were at their home on Sears avenue over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Villere are holiday guests of Mrs. W. E. Tucker on Waveland avenue.

Mr. Bartholomew Sirola and Mr. Lucien Pravano of Baton Rouge have been visiting relatives and friends in Waveland the past week.

A group of Service men were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Colson last Sunday evening.

A lovely surprise birthday party honoring Miss Hazel Herlihy was given Saturday evening, December twenty-third by Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Herlihy at their home on Coleman avenue. Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Sauer, Mr. and Mrs. Newell Erwin, Mr. C. O. Dufour, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scrimshaw Mrs. Thelma Landry, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Colson, Miss Amelia Chadwick, Miss Louise Chadwick, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Griffin, Mr. Frank Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Zimmerman.

Kiln News

There were many attending midnight Mass at the Church of the Annunciation, Christmas eve. Everyone enjoyed a quiet day Christmas with the weather being perfect.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Haas were guests Christmas Day of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Haas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Benigno of Bay St. Louis were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Necaise during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Xavier Curet had as guests Christmas Mr. Victor Mauffray.

Donald Carpenter son of Mrs. Jacob Rohm is now home spending a few days with his mother. Donald has been in the Merchant Marine 17 months and has been overseas one year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rohm had as their guests Xmas Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thomas and family of Picayune.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cretors of Biloxi spent Xmas with Mrs. Delphine Curet.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Koch spent Xmas in Jackson with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Koch, Jr., and family.

Judge and Mrs. Frutos Fuente spent Christmas in Bay St. Louis with Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Pepperdene.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Dunham and Mrs. R. H. Bills visited Mrs. Izella Glass Xmas Day.

Pfc. Adolph Hall spent Xmas with his wife, Lillian, and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse A. Lott. Also visiting the Lotts were Mr. and Mrs. Oren Mauffray of Pass Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Lott of New Orleans and Buford Drummond of the Merchant Marines spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lott.

Sgt. and Mrs. James Peterson and Sgt. and Mrs. Clyde Ladner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ladner during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Mauffray and daughter of Gulfport spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Horatio Lott and family of Pascagoula spent the holidays at their home here.

Pvt. H. J. Ladner of Camp Shelby spent Xmas here with his family.

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Leetown News

Mrs. Jay T. Law and little daughter Linda of Neah Bay, Washington, are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, a few weeks.

Chef Hams was a visitor here during the holidays.

Pvt. G. W. Lee of this Community son of Mr. Gaston Lee and Miss Doris Caldwell of Sylacauga, Ala., were quietly married Sunday morning, Dec. 24 with Elder Charles Lee officiating.

Mr. Shelby Lee was home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Foss, Mr. and Mrs. David Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Campbell, Mrs. Jay Law and Miss Mary Rose Campbell were visitors in the home of Mr. John Campbell Monday.

Misses Julia Mae Lee, Velma, Virgie and Mildred Baker were home for the Xmas holidays.

Mrs. Pittman is visiting relatives here.

Elder and Mrs. Zack Lee and Mrs. Culbert Lee attended church services at Mr. Lacey Moran's Sunday evening.

News comes from S. 2c Wash. Wellburn that he had his back hurt in practice but not serious. All wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Rester and two children of Jackson, Miss., and Mr. Julius Rester, and son of Alexandria, La., were the guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rester for the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rester and sons of Mobile Ala. were visiting relatives of Leetown during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Necaise and son and Mrs. Forest Necaise and two children visited Mr. and Mrs. D. Necaise of Picayune on Xmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Lee and children of Centinell, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Moral Lee and children and Miss Rita Lee of Picayune were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lee for the holidays.

Among the dinner guests of Mrs. Oren Lee Christmas Day were Mr. Elisha Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Red Lee and children and Mrs. Roy Thigpen and little daughter of Picayune, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Farmer of Pascagoula; Cpl. and Mrs. Bill Lee, Mr. and Mrs. George and little son.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cross and children of New Orleans were the guests of Mrs. Montora Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Rester visited Mrs. Rester's mother at Henleyfield Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Dork Lanore at Gulfport Xmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Lee and daughter of Gulfport visited relatives and friends of Leetown Sunday.

The many friends of Otho Rester Jr., will be glad to know that he is able to be about again even if it is on crutches.

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Pvt. Cecil Kellar has been home on a fifteen day furlough. He has been stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Frank Frierson who has been employed in Paris, Texas, is now at home for a few days.

Miss Laya Lee Alsobrooks and Miss Adelle Kellar arrived home Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents. They are employed by the Navy department, Washington, D. C.

Oliver Frierson had a 48 hour pass and he came home Sunday to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burroughs has been visiting relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Poole and little daughter Ruth spent the week end and Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Frierson and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thigpen. Other visitors for Christmas Day were David M. Campbell and family, Rufus Campbell and family, N. H. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Foss, all from New Orleans and Mary Rose Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Frierson, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thigpen, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Poole and little Ruth visited Mrs. Cornelius Gibson in Sycamore community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Zebbie Stewart and two sons spent Xmas with Mrs. Stewart's parents Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty.

Miss Ada Rae Mitchell spent the holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCarty and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Frierson visited relatives in Kiln Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Shaw announce the birth of a son Friday, Dec. 22. Mrs. Shaw is the former Miss Cora Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shaw announce the birth of a daughter born December 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Ladner spent Thursday with Mrs. J. S. Shaw and family.

Mrs. Ned Shaw and little son of Detroit, Michigan are visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Amanda Shaw for the holidays.

Miss Johnnie Mae Anderson is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Olan Anderson. Johnnie Mae is training at the Touro Infirmary, New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Hickman spent Christmas with Mrs. Hickman's parents Mr. and Mrs. Olan Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thomas of Pascagoula spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Calvin Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart spent Christmas with Mr. Stewart's mother in Picayune.

Mr. and Mrs. Gloster Ladner are spending the holidays at home with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dedaux.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dedaux.

Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Sauer spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sauer.

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City Echoes

—Mrs. Mark Steiner entertained a few friends at her home on Sunday evening at an eggnog party.

—Mrs. Charles G. Moreau spent part of Christmas Day visiting relatives and friends in New Orleans.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Baker spent the Xmas holidays in New Orleans, guests of Major and Mrs. Joseph E. Holoubek.

—Dr. B. L. Ramsey, Navy, was shaking hands with his friends this week. He is on a ten-day leave and was glad to be back in Bay St. Louis.

—Mrs. P. G. Bernheim and little daughter left last week to join her husband Sergeant P. G. Bernheim, Army, who is stationed at Alma Gardo, New Mexico.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roger Heitzmann and children returned Wednesday morning from Houston Texas, where they spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Coleman and family.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tarut and daughter Miss Gladys Tarut of New Orleans spent Christmas here with Mr. Tarut's aunt and uncle Miss Lottie Cuneo and Mr. Henry Cuneo.

—Technical Sergeant T. A. Quintini and his wife and little daughter arrived this week to visit his mother Mrs. Alma Quintini and his wife's mother Mrs. Elizabeth Beudin. This was the first Christmas dinner Sgt. Quintini had eaten with his mother in three years.

—Mrs. Alcide Carver and children and Mrs. J. C. Duffy spent Xmas with their mother and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green, Jr., and family of Orange Grove, Miss.

—Coming home from school for the holidays are Miss Mary Catherine Sharp from 'Ole Miss' and Miss Shelby Weston from Stevens College; Miss Patricia Robin, Bellhaven College.

—Paul Jaubert, C. M. 2c U. S. C. G. and Mrs. Jaubert arrived this week from Boston, Mass., to spend the holiday season with the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. John A. Green, Sr.

—The Officers' club of the Cadet School at Henderson Point entertained their wives and a few friends at an eggnog party at the Officers' Lounge at the school on Saturday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Santenelli announce the birth of a daughter at the Kings Daughters Hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The young lady is a great granddaughter of Mrs. Oscar Lagniel.

—Mrs. Robert Perre, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Banderet and Mrs. James Mehaffey had as their guests during the holidays Mrs. Edward James Mistle and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dorries all of New Orleans.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Sherrill and daughter Miss Janet Sherrill had as their house guests Miss Sherrill's brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Heldman and son Carl Heldman III of Lewiston, Maine. These visitors left on Wednesday, December 27. As guests for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill had John J. Driscoll of Belmont, Massachusetts; Edmund Sigmund and John T. Manning of Boston, Mass.

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—Captain James Mehaffey has been slightly wounded and is in a hospital in France according to news received here by his wife Mrs. Vera Banderet Mehaffey. No further news has been received here.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jules Burg left this week for Birmingham where they will reside in the future. Bay St. Louis regrets losing this splendid family but wish for them good fortune in their new home.

—Mrs. Steven Jennings entertained at a tea at her home on Friday afternoon honoring Mrs. Harold McFee, wife of the new commander at the Merchant Marine Cadet Basic School at Henderson Point.

—Miss Carol Stevenson left Wednesday for New Orleans for a few days visit to her cousin Miss Dolly Vardin. Miss Stevenson will return here before leaving on January 2 to resume her studies at the University of Mississippi.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Damborino and daughters, Misses Margalo and Honorine, spent Tuesday in New Orleans, where they visited Mrs. Honorine Muller, of San Antonio, visiting in New Orleans, and also visited other friends and relatives.

—Pvt. Alcide J. Carver son of Mr. and Mrs. Alcide Carver arrived last week from overseas duty and spent the Xmas holidays with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kreen, Jr., of Orange Grove, Miss. Everyone was proud to see him.

—Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Smith had with them for Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fagan and children, New Orleans and Mr. Fagan's sister Mrs. Gladys Sherer and her son George Sherer, Torpedo gunner home from three years of overseas duty.

—Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Wolfe their daughter Jane and son J. T. spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Wolfe's brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Marx Andersen and Mrs. Wolfe's mother, Mrs. Lydia Eagan. They returned on Tuesday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alden Mauffray and young son Larry with Mr. and Mrs. Currie Garner and daughters Gail and Janet left Thursday morning for Mobile to spend a few days with Mrs. Mauffray's brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Martin.

—The C. C. McDonald's had with them for Christmas, Mr. McDonald's mother Mrs. W. A. McDonald, their son C. C. McDonald, Jr., Navy, and their daughter-in-law Mrs. David N. McDonald; their son Lieutenant David N. McDonald is overseas. Their two younger sons David and Jimmie who are still in school were of course with the family.

—Coming here to spend Christmas with Mrs. Charles Strong were her son Staff Sergeant Roy Strong who after 18 months in India, has been taking a rest in Florida; her son and wife Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strong, New Orleans, her son and his wife Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Strong and children from Hattiesburg. Sergeant Roy Strong has gone to Alexandria, La., to visit his brother Earl Strong and family. He will later go to Lafayette, La., to visit his brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bell.

—The many friends of Mrs. Joseph Zingarling are glad to know that she has sufficiently recovered from her recent illness to be moved from the Kings Daughters Hospital to her home on Highway 90 where she is reported improving from day to day. Mrs. Zingarling is the former Miss Agnes Bourgeois, clerical assistant in the county farm agent's office. Mr. and Mrs. Zingarling are receiving the sympathy of their friends at the loss of their infant son.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clem B. Penrose, Jr., and little son came out from New Orleans on Christmas Day and visited at the home of Mrs. Penrose's brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Peranich at Delisle and Mrs. Penrose's relatives here. Caroline Dale Snedeker, Mrs. Nina Stillwell and Miss L. Crawford. They ate Xmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Norvin Penrose where Mr. Penrose's father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Clem B. Penrose were guests.

—Dr. and Mrs. James A. Evans, their daughter Mrs. William Ross Pitcairn and their son James A. Evans, Jr., spent Sunday in New Orleans as the guests of Dr. Evans family Mrs. Bess Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thompson. They attended the wedding of Miss Irene Goodyear of New Orleans and Pte. James Morrow, Army of Oakland, California. Mrs. Pitcairn was one of the bridesmaids in the wedding, which was solemnized on Sunday afternoon at five o'clock in the Lutheran church in New Orleans.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ansley had all of their children with them excepting their son James Ansley who is in England. Those spending the Christmas season with the Ansleys were Aviation Cadet Steele Ansley, Army, who arrived home from Cochran Field at Macon, Georgia, on Friday night; Mrs. Richard Koch, Jr., Orange Texas; Mrs. Scott Hoyer, Miss Myrtle Ansley, Miss Hone Ansley, New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ansley, Pascagoula and their granddaughter Mrs. Fred Van Roo, New Orleans.

BLOOD BANK ABOARD SHIP

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—Captain John T. Bennett, Medical Corps, USN, of Hattiesburg, Miss., is credited with creating the first known blood bank to be water-borne to the fighting front aboard a hospital ship, according to a delayed dispatch from the Central Pacific area.

Captain Bennett is the ship's Medical Officer. All the members of the ship's company were aware of the importance of the bottled life she carried to Guam. It was not a new experience for the crew—there had been Kwajalein Eniwetok, and more recently Saipan.

These past operations had demonstrated the quantities of whole blood and plasma needed to fight death among our casualties. Combat Medical Officers had seen evidence that transfusions of whole blood, and of plasma, were front-line warriors in the battle for life.

Vast medical storehouses at hospital bases behind combat areas had provided stocks to replenish dwindling plasma supplies following previous actions. The same was true this time. But fulfilling needs for whole blood was an entirely different problem. In two trips in as many weeks to Saipan, over 200 transfusions had been contributed by the hospital ship's crew. Now with Guam, and the certain need for additional quantities of whole blood but a few days removed, something had to be done to assure a new source of supply.

In the past the distance that lay between advanced bases and new combat areas and eliminated the transportation of whole blood by sea. With this knowledge, Captain Bennett made a decision that was to save many lives—creation of a blood bank aboard his ship.

Success of this experiment depended on the ability of living blood to survive disturbances created by vibrating ship's engines and the rolling and pitching of the ship. It was known that ashore under proper conditions, whole blood could be kept as long as 10 days. Its life at sea was something to be determined.

With the decision made, Captain Bennett consulted the commanding officer of shore-garrisoned Marines at an advance base in the Marshall Islands where the hospital ship lay at anchor. The medical officer asked for 100 volunteers. More than 300 men from the small Marine garrison responded. One hundred were selected, came aboard, gave their blood, and assured a new, floating blood bank. The following morning the ship was underway with her precious cargo and anxious hopes for the success of the experiment.

Officers and men were determined that the blood should reach the fighting front ready for use. Its condition was the concern of everyone. All hands cooperated to see that the ship—carrier for the vital blood—was handled with care. They fully realized the fragility of their cargo.

The success of their efforts can now be seen. American fighting men who came aboard seriously wounded took the road to recovery. At Guam there was ample whole blood for required transfusions. No wounded fighting man went without whole blood if it was required.

FARMS SHOULD PROCESS AS WELL AS PRODUCE

Schenectady.—To provide enough good farm jobs for returning farm-soldiers, our farms will have to become processing plants more and more, in addition to being producers, Carroll P. Streeter of Philadelphia, managing editor of the Farm Journal magazine, declared in a General Electric Farm Forum address here.

"The only way to keep this country rural enough for its own well-being is to provide enough good jobs on farms and in country towns," Mr. Streeter pointed out.

"Up to now farmers have depended very largely on just raising raw products," he continued. "The next big step in agriculture is for farmers to lift themselves part way out of this lowpair raw producer class by making their products as near ready for the consumer as possible. More often the job will be too big for any individual and will be done by farmer's co-operatives in country towns. Either way the farmer will own the business and make the profit."

Citing cases, Mr. Streeter mentioned the "tremendous business" in the extraction of vegetable oils. He said that until recently the farmers who raised the oil-bearing seeds owned no part of the business. In recent months however more than

30 small mills have sprung up in Iowa alone, according to Mr. Streeter. "Many of these (oil mills) are co-operatively owned," he explained. "They crush soybeans and flax, and sell the oil to refiners. Farmers living within 20 to 30 miles of the mill use the oil meal for feed, and 85 per cent of the soybeans goes into meal. Farmers can't see any sense in shipping their beans to a distant mill, then shipping 85 per cent of them back as feed, to say nothing of giving somebody else the processing profit."

In the dehydration field, he said that "farmers' creameries have been drying skim milk for years. Now a few of the bigger ones, who have the necessary skilled technicians and the equipment, are drying whole milk."

"Hay drying has become another big business," Mr. Streeter declared. "Farmers who belong to hay-drying co-ops no longer stop with mere raising of hay. They dry it, grind it, and sell it to feed manufacturers, and they have been making a good profit doing it."

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and relatives for their acts of kindness during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Mr. Joseph V. Bon Temps. Especially do we wish to thank Rev. Monsignor Gmelch, Rev. Father Clarke, Miss Thelma Telhiard, Mrs. Daniel Ziegler, Jr., and Dr. C. L. Horton.

Sincerely,
THE BONTEMPS FAMILY,
WIFE AND CHILDREN.

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ENTERTAIN YOUNGER GROUP

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Bourgeois entertained the younger group at their home in Carroll avenue on Sunday afternoon at an eggnog party.

The house glowing with warmth and color, was decorated with yupon and lighted candles and at the end of the living room the lights of the Christmas tree twinkled like jewels.

The lace draped table, centered with a unique fruit arrangement, held assorted canapes, fruit cake, salted nuts, and other Christmas delicacies. From a large crystal punch bowl Mrs. Bourgeois served eggnog with the spirit of Christmas running riot throughout the house.

The only absent member of the family was their son W. L. who is somewhere at sea.

Those attending the lovely party were Mesdames: Richard, Madden, Fred Van Roo, New Orleans; Robert Lee Hamilton, David McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ansley, Pascagoula; Misses Mary Kittrell, Rosemary and Alicia Rollins, Gail and Marilou Bourgeois, Marion Orte, Ann Weston, Shelby Weston, Frances Speer, Bogalusa; and Amelia Manieri, Tech. Sgt. Merle Bailey, Staff Sgt. J. B. Gibson, Master Sgt. J. T. Harris, Gulfport Field; A/C Steele Ansley, A/S C. C. McDonald, Jr., Captain Chapman Marshall, Corporal Pat Murphy Emile Gex, M. A. Phillips, Sgt. Hugh Kiefer, Dominic diBenedetto, Hugh Dresher, Stoney Feldon and Mr. and Mrs. Dresher's children Bruce, Jack, Kenneth and Mr. and Mrs. William Smith.

The happy group left with shouts of Merry Christmas.

Wounded In Action

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Coward were notified last week that their son, Lieutenant Elliott Coward Army Infantry, was wounded in action on December 3 in Germany. They since have had a letter from him that his wound is a gunshot wound in the left arm and that he is in a hospital and doing nicely.

Lieut. Coward received the Presidential Citation, the Purple Heart, the Infantry badge and the European Theater of Operation badge.

The Cowards have four sons in the service. The eldest son Jesse Coward, Jr., is stationed near Joplin, Missouri, and Mack and Hubert are overseas.

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CELEBRATES ELEVENTH BIRTHDAY

Larry Mauffray celebrated his 11th birthday on Wednesday, December 20 at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O. Mauffray.

The feature of entertainment and that which brought forth shrieks of laughter, from the youngsters was the pinning of the whiskers on Santa Claus. The prizes for this were won by Gregory Favre for the boys and Susanne Blanchard for the girls.

Larry cut the huge birthday cake and this was served with other refreshments to the following children: Tempie Perkins, Mary Helen Curran, Joan Blanchard, Suzanne Blanchard, Carol Cabell, Kay Cabell, Phyllis Arnold, Emily Delph, Gail Garner, Janet Garner, Fred Cabell, Albert Ranson, Henry Capdepon, Jr., Larry Schaff, Bobby Mitchell, Bruce Favre, Gregory Favre, Jerry Kiefer and Joe Delph.

Many more happy birthdays Larry and may they be celebrated in a land where peace is a permanent guest.

Bay St. Louis Bus Line

REVISED BUS SCHEDULE

The Bay Bus will now operate on the following schedule.

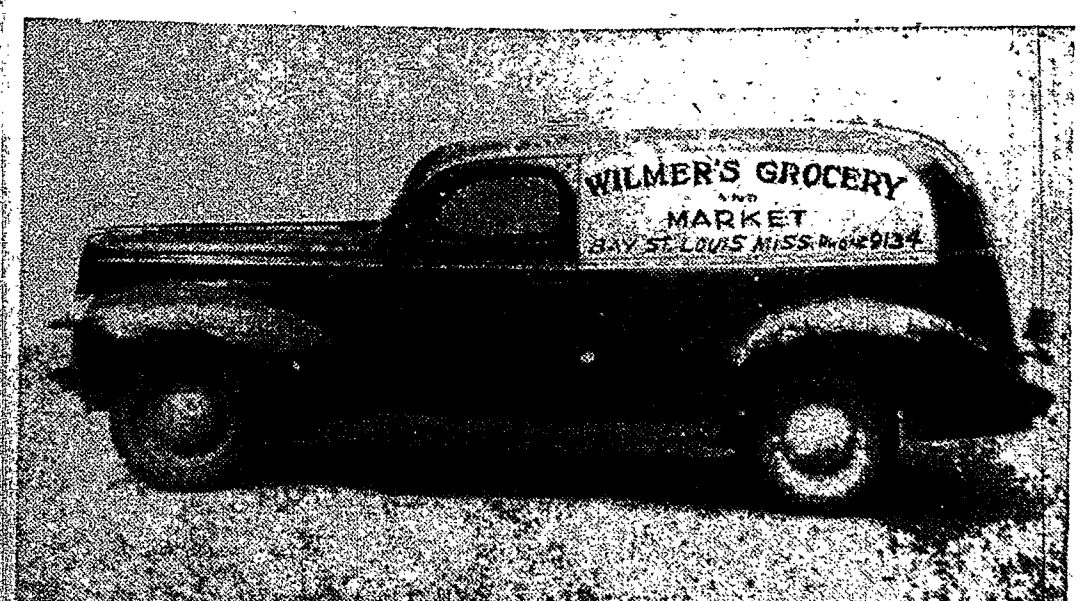
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